



Regional: Promoting Gender Equality in the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Region

Project Name	Promoting Gender Equality in the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Region	
Project Number	55121-001	
Country	RegionalAzerbaijanGeorgiaKazakhstanKyrgyz RepublicMongoliaPakistanChina, People's Republic ofTajikistanTurkmenistanUzbekistan	
Project Status	Active	
Project Type / Modality of Assistance	Technical Assistance	
Source of Funding / Amount	TA 6795-REG: Promoting Gender Equality in the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation Region	
	Technical Assistance Special Fund	US\$ 300,000.00
	Regional Cooperation and Integration Fund	US\$ 700,000.00
Strategic Agendas	Inclusive economic growth Regional integration	
Drivers of Change	Knowledge solutions Partnerships	
Sector / Subsector	Public sector management - Social protection initiatives	
Gender Equity and Mainstreaming	Gender equity	
Description	The proposed knowledge and support technical assistance (TA) will initiate the implementation of the CAREC Gender Strategy 2030 and promote gender equality measures and people-to-people contacts (linked to objective 3 of the Gender Strategy 2030) under the Central Asia Regional Economic Cooperation (CAREC) Program. The TA, involving all 11 CAREC member countries, will be aligned with the following impact: inclusive regional economic growth in CAREC enhanced, and the outcome: gender equality and women's economic empowerment improved in the CAREC region	
Project Rationale and Linkage to Country/Regional Strategy	A regional approach to gender mainstreaming taken through the CAREC Gender Strategy 2030, approved at the 19th Ministerial Conference in 2020, can complement national actions and existing programs to support women's empowerment in the region. The Strategy identifies key gender issues, potential strategic directions, and entry points for gender mainstreaming throughout CAREC's five operational clusters with four objectives: (i) promote women's access to economic opportunities; (ii) contribute to women's social empowerment; (iii) support women's regional networks and policy reform for women's economic empowerment; and (iv) enhance women's access to information and communication technology.	
Impact	Inclusive regional economic growth in the CAREC region enhanced	
Project Outcome		
Description of Outcome	Gender equality and women's economic empowerment improved in the CAREC region	
Progress Toward Outcome		
Implementation Progress		
Description of Project Outputs	Operational mechanisms for CAREC Gender Strategy 2030 developed Regional projects for women's economic empowerment in the CAREC region developed CAREC People's Forum conducted	
Status of Implementation Progress (Outputs, Activities, and Issues)		
Geographical Location	Azerbaijan - Nation-wide; China - Nation-wide; Georgia - Nation-wide; Kazakhstan - Nation-wide; Kyrgyz Republic - Nation-wide; Mongolia - Nation-wide; Pakistan - Nation-wide; Tajikistan - Nation-wide; Turkmenistan - Nation-wide; Uzbekistan - Nation-wide	
Summary of Environmental and Social Aspects		
Environmental Aspects		
Involuntary Resettlement		
Indigenous Peoples		
Stakeholder Communication, Participation, and Consultation		
During Project Design		
During Project Implementation		
Business Opportunities		
Consulting Services	ADB will engage the consultants following the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and its associated project administration instructions and/or staff instructions.	

Procurement The purchase of information communication technology-related equipment, , supplies, software, and data subscription and/or purchase and engagement of website developers will follow the ADB Procurement Policy (2017, as amended from time to time) and Procurement Regulations for ADB Borrowers (2017, as amended from time to time) and with clearance from the Information Technology Department if necessary. For equipment, a certificate of equipment turnover or disposal will be submitted at the end of the TA implementation

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Executing Agencies	Asian Development Bank 6 ADB Avenue, Mandaluyong City 1550, Philippines

Timetable	
Concept Clearance	10 Aug 2021
Fact Finding	05 Aug 2021 to 10 Aug 2021
MRM	-
Approval	07 Oct 2021
Last Review Mission	-
Last PDS Update	07 Oct 2021

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Milestones					
Approval	Signing Date	Effectivity Date	Closing		
			Original	Revised	Actual
07 Oct 2021	-	07 Oct 2021	31 Dec 2024	-	-

Financing Plan/TA Utilization						Cumulative Disbursements		
ADB	Cofinancing	Counterpart				Total	Date	Amount
		Gov	Beneficiaries	Project Sponsor	Others			
1,000,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,000,000.00	07 Oct 2021	0.00

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